

NEWFANE

INN TO BE OPENED APRIL 3.

New Proprietor, E. A. Whitcomb of Boston, Has Made Improvements.

The sale of the Newfane Inn by the stockholders, of which W. H. Newton was chairman, was completed, the latter part of last week. The new owner and proprietor, E. A. Whitcomb of Boston, and wife have arrived and are refurbishing and renovating the hotel. The improvements under way are a new hardwood floor in the spacious drawing room and new beds and bedding in most of the rooms of the second floor. The house will be open to the public April 3. Mr. Whitcomb will conduct a good livery business, equipped with automobile for the accommodation of guests.

Mr. Whitcomb is a descendant of Joshua Whitcomb of Swanzey, N. H., who was his great-grandfather and was the character impersonated by Denham Thompson in his play, "The Old Homestead." Mr. Whitcomb has had wide experience in hotel business, which he has been engaged in for 24 years. During the time, in going to and from the different places where he has been located, he has been in every state in the Union.

The inn will open summer and winter. It is equipped with electric lights, telephone and is well heated by furnace. Special attention will be given to automobile parties.

Bert E. Morse Killed Bobcat.

Bert E. Morse recently killed a bobcat which measured in length two feet. At the time of one of the deep snow storms it probably went into the old Hilly barn. By the barking of his dog Mr. Morse found the animal and helped the dog kill it. The animal was about a year old and very thin. In the same locality Charles L. Hesseck recently had an encounter with a rat which was in his silo and put up a good fight before Mr. Hesseck succeeded in killing it. The rat measured 15 inches from tip to tip.

L. W. Bush Appointed Aide.

L. W. Bush of Brookline has just received a commission as aide de camp on the staff of Commander-in-Chief Montford of Cincinnati, of the Grand Army of the Republic.

Charles Pray is ill with grip.

Marvin Tuttle, who was committed to the jail last week, was released Thursday, having secured bail.

J. D. Maher will carry on the sugar bush at the Water place as well as the large one on his own farm.

Fred Rice will carry on the sugar place at Prof. G. K. Christie's this season. He began sugaring Monday.

Mrs. Karl Maher visited last week in Brattleboro in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. S. G. Brown.

Miss Etta Thomas a student in Leland and Gray seminary, was a guest over Sunday of Miss Ruth Farnum.

Mrs. Lillian Emerson will vacate the tenement in A. H. Farnum's house on April 1, having leased the L. H. Fisher house below the village.

Mrs. W. H. Newton, who is recovering from a hard cold, has been to Williamsville twice to see her mother, Mrs. D. A. Dickinson, who is ill.

Frank DeWitt, Jr., spent a few days in town last week, returning to Chester Saturday with his father, who was there over Sunday with his family.

Another section of the soldiers' monument was sent Tuesday by Mr. Grant from Brattleboro and was drawn by a four-horse team. When complete the monument will be 14 feet high.

Mr. and Mrs. Erving Chase, who had been living since last spring in the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elvay Chase, have returned to Brattleboro, where Mr. Chase has employment.

At this writing there are only two prisoners in jail. During the entire winter there have been no more at one time and seldom but one. Windham county may well rejoice that Walpole, N. H., went dry last year.

Miss Rebecca Wright, secretary of the state library department, has been in town several days, engaged in cataloging the books in the Moore Free library. She left Monday, going to Townshend to do some work in the library there.

Mr. and Mrs. John Skinner and Miss Charlotte Tuttle of Brattleboro were week-end visitors at the Windham County House, Mrs. Skinner and Bradford Sargent, who had been there for a little longer visit, returned to Brattleboro Tuesday afternoon.

The maple sugar makers have tapped their orchards and although the snow is very deep it is gradually settling under the warm rays of the sun. The season is late, owing to the long continued and extreme cold weather. Robins were heard here the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Bruce gave a delightful 500 party of four tables at their home, the Bruce farm, Friday evening. The decorations were sweet peas. Refreshments of home-made ice cream, angel cake, hot chocolate, etc., were served. The first prize was won by F. A. DeWitt, the consolation prize by L. H. Whitney.

Mrs. Henry Wilson of Brookline went last week Thursday to the hospital in West Brattleboro, where she underwent surgical operation Friday. She is making a good recovery and expects to return to her home within two weeks. Mrs. Lillian Emerson, nurse of Newfane has been with Mrs. Wilson at the hospital a part of the time.

The Willing Workers' class in the

Congregational Sunday school will give a Hare-M Scare-M party in honor of their friend, the March Hare, in the parlors of the Congregational church Friday evening, March 31. Supper will be served from 6 to 7.30 with the following menu: Potato puree, beef pie, potato, chicken, spinach nests with hard-boiled eggs, birds' nest pudding, assorted cakes, pies, home-made rolls, coffee.

On account of the snowstorm the last Grange meeting was not largely attended, only 18 members being present. The literary program was postponed with the exception of the paper, "The Bingville Bugle," which contained several fine poems by the editor-in-chief, W. C. Ballou, and will be read again at the next regular meeting, April 12. Any items or advertisements will be gladly received by the editors, W. C. Ballou and F. A. DeWitt.

The W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. Mary Johnson Friday, and after the transaction of business the program consisted of readings from speeches and editorials found in the county papers on both sides of the recent campaign question, also from the Union Signal on the same question. After a free discussion it was the united opinion of all present that the W. C. T. U. will go on educating for prohibition of the liquor traffic in state and nation, believing in "safety first," not only in one's own little corner, but for one's neighbor also.

WILLIAMSVILLE.

Carl Holton of Northfield is at F. B. Washer's.

Rev. A. S. Charlton joined his family in Bondville on Tuesday.

Burton Halladay has been spending several days in Newport, N. H.

The Mizpah class will give a social in the vestry Saturday evening, April 1.

Ernest Halladay, who attends the Brattleboro high school, is spending his vacation at home.

Mrs. D. D. Dickinson, who has been seriously ill the past week with bronchial pneumonia, is gaining slowly.

Mrs. Floyd Fairbanks and two daughters, Marian and Elizabeth, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Merrill.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Willard and daughter, Dorothy, and Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Willard were visitors in Brattleboro Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wheeler came Saturday from West Brattleboro to spend the 85th birthday anniversary with his brother, E. P. Wheeler.

W. A. Brooks is in Greenfield this week assisting his daughter, Mrs. E. L. Davenport, who has sold her farm and had an auction sale Wednesday.

Charles Lewis, Howard Thayer, Howard Timmer, Harold and Floyd Washer attended the play and dance in South Londonderry Friday evening.

The next meeting of the Gleaners will be a social in the home of Mrs. G. B. Williams next Thursday afternoon, April 6. Whist will be played. They extend a cordial invitation to all ladies to attend.

Owing to the absence of the pastor, Rev. A. S. Charlton, the Mizpah class will have charge of the services Sunday morning at the usual hour of the preaching service. Sunday school as usual will follow.

MARLBORO.

W. F. Snow Goes to Wilmington.

W. F. Snow, for many years road commissioner here, will go this week to Wilmington to take charge of the road work there. While Wilmington may deem herself highly fortunate in securing a commissioner of recognized ability, Marlboro can ill afford to lose a citizen of Mr. Snow's character and worth. Herbert Mather, who has had much experience in road making, takes up the work here.

J. E. Thomas is spending a few days with his daughter, Mrs. George Veivier, in Brattleboro.

Mr. Van Wyck and Lester Whitney are assisting Charles Perry during the work of sugar making.

All the sugar makers began work in earnest Monday of this week. A good run is reported in places.

E. P. Adams, who returned from the Memorial hospital Friday of last week, met with a hearty welcome from his friends.

Mr. and Mrs. George Watson were home from Guilford over Sunday. Mr. Watson is assisting his brother during the sugar season.

Mr. Carpenter and family, who suffered heavy loss in the burning of the Snow tavern, have moved into a part of Asa Hall's house.

DEMOCRATS OUT FOR SPEED.

Will Attempt to Reach Adjournment Before Conventions.

House Democrats in caucus in Washington have adopted a plan for speeding the administration legislative program with a view to adjournment before the national political conventions in June as urged by President Wilson.

They pledged themselves to co-operation in early daily meetings and to such sessions as may seem advisable. The plan is to handle at night sessions the business of all special days in the week except the so-called calendar Wednesday.

It was also agreed that the tariff commission bill should become part of the coming general revenue measure.

Before the resolution embodying the plan was adopted, without dissent, Speaker Clark made a vigorous speech urging team work by the majority.

He presented to the caucus a memorandum from President Wilson recommending a legislative program. This is the program submitted by the President:

1—Appropriation bills, carrying the provisions necessary for the preparedness measures.

2—Revenue bills, with anti-dumping provision.

3—Bill for tariff commission.

4—Ship purchase bill.

5—Rural credits.

6—Philippine bill.

7—The proposed legislation for Porto Rico.

8—The conservation measures.

9—The Mississippi river relief measure.

TOWNSHEND

Students Will Present Comedy.

The three-act comedy, Aaron Boggs, Freshman, which will be presented by the senior class of Leland and Gray seminary Friday evening, April 7, in the town hall, is a college play with quick action and a plot abounding in mirth. Act 1 typifies the college campus and acts 2 and 3 a college boarding house. Following is the cast of characters:

Aaron Boggs, a freshman from Splinterville, Arthur Cutler; Happy Jimmie Jamieson, a susceptible junior, Merrill Sparks; Bean Carter, a prominent senior, Harold Haskell; Pepper Jervis, studying repose, Guy Hawkins; Epenetus P. Boggs, a pillar of Splinterville, George Leonard; Mr. Shubb, born tired, Ross Newell; Casey Jones, a college politician, Leroy Spiller; Second-hand Abe, Paul Groat; Miss Elizabeth Mandella Feeny; nee Lizzie Feeny, a perfect lady, Miss Bessie Davis; Mrs. Chubb, a boarding house angel, Miss Etta Thomas; Mrs. Picken, the same, with variations, Miss Delia Beebe; Miss Evelyn Newcomb, a college belle, Miss Ruth Farnum; Lois Hunter, a girl's friend, Miss Ruby Howe; Cherry Carruthers, a little freshman, Miss Florence Howard; Loree Rea, a romantic junior, Miss Edith Kidder; Miss Dolie DeCliffe, nee Shubb, a vaudeville queen, Miss Delia Lawrence; students, co-eds, etc.

The comedy plays about two-and-a-half hours. Suitable music will be given between the acts.

Multiplicity of Societies.

Whatever else Townshend is noted for, it certainly should be famous for a multiplicity of societies and organizations. Among active societies in the place, meeting regularly, are:

Blazing Star Masonic lodge meets monthly; Eastern Star, monthly; West River Grange, monthly; Birchard post, G. A. R., monthly (alternately with Newfane); Birchard Relief corps, monthly (alternately with Newfane);

Doreas guild, monthly; Home club, monthly; Women's Congregational Missionary society, monthly; Daughters of Doreas, fortnightly; Ladies Aid, monthly; Hadassah league, monthly; Helping Hand, fortnightly; U. P. S. C. E., weekly; T. G. R., no stated periods. The Boy Scouts organization, which was active last summer, has been dropped through the winter season, through lack of a leader. Besides this list of 14 societies several of the villages are members of the Old Fellows and Rebekah lodges at Newfane and of the W. C. T. U. in that village.

Miss Cole Martin of Brattleboro is spending her vacation at home.

Wilbur Snyder has gone to Stratton to remain during the sugar season.

Carl Woodard is having serious trouble with peculiar sores on his face and neck.

Mr. and Mrs. Edson Derry and son are guests at the home of Sidney Derry.

Mrs. Serle of Westfield, Mass., is working in the home for Mrs. E. W. Sage.

Miss Edith Davies of South Londonderry visited her sister, Mrs. Mary Davies, Tuesday.

Mrs. J. B. Sage of South Wardsboro has been a guest at the home of her son, E. W. Sage.

Mrs. Fred Perkins of White River Junction visited in the home of her mother, Mrs. E. F. Eddy, recently.

Miss Carrie Mason of Bellows Falls spent the week-end at the home of her mother, Mrs. Ella Mason.

A special meeting of the Eastern Star was held in Masonic hall Monday evening and one candidate was initiated.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Cheney, who spent the winter with Mr. Cheney's parents, left Wednesday for Beloit, Wis.

Mrs. Ada Pierce, who spent the winter at the home of her daughter in Northfield, Mass., returned home this week.

Raymond Watson and Miss Elizabeth Dauchy returned home from the University of Vermont Wednesday for the Easter vacation.

Earl Knapp went Friday to take his little daughters, Marion and Charlotte, to spend their vacation in Saxtons River with relatives.

Miss Alice Dale returned to her home in Northampton Tuesday, after visiting several days at the home of her sister, Mrs. Charles Evans.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hebb and family are moving to the home of Mrs. Cheney, where Mrs. Hebb will care for Mrs. Cheney, who remains in ill health.

I. J. Dutton, who was called recently to New York by the serious illness of his mother, returned Tuesday, leaving her in a comfortable condition.

While returning home from a visit at a neighbor's Friday evening, Mrs. Emma Phillips slipped and fell in the road, breaking a small bone in one ankle.

Mrs. Grace Richardson of Williamsville visited at the home of Mrs. W. M. Sparks Monday and Tuesday and attended the Eastern Star meeting Monday night.

C. D. Boyden moved the remainder of his store stock, saved from the recent fire in West Townshend, to his home in this village Monday, where he will place the goods on sale.

Mrs. Hector Filion, who is visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Watson, will go shortly to join her husband in their new home in Bridgeport, Conn., where Mr. Filion has a position.

The first breath of air on awakening Saturday morning made all realize that winter had fled and spring had taken its place in the night. Sugar makers were out early and the sap fairly ran from the spouts.

Another sewing bee was held by the Hadassah league members at the home of Mrs. George Whitney Tuesday afternoon to finish special work begun at the last meeting. Refreshments were served by the hostess.

A meeting of the Helping Hand society was held at the home of Miss Pearl Thayer Monday afternoon and several new members were added to the roll. Work was done on blocks for a comfortable. The society is planning for a public entertainment to be held about May 1.

Prof. and Mrs. Smythe of Hartford, Conn., are occupying the Taft house, which they have leased for a summer home, through their Easter vacation. Prof. Smythe, who formerly was a principal in Leland and Gray seminary, has held a position as principal in Hartford the past 25 years.

A society called the Daughters of Doreas has been formed among the young girls connected with the Congregational church. The officers are: President, Frances Palmer; vice president, Ruth Hebb; secretary, Anne Dauchy; treasurer, Ruth Barry; matrons, Mrs. J. C. Taft and Mrs. O. W. Pollett. Two meetings have been held in the home of Mrs. Taft and plans made for work, etc. The object of the society is to aid in church work.

An entertainment will be given by the members in the vestry of the Congregational church Wednesday evening, April 5. The committee in charge of the entertainment is Miss Addie Meacham, Ruth Hebb and Eleanor Willard.

GUILFORD.

Bluebirds, a robin and a phoebe were seen and heard Monday.

Leslie Hudson of Haydensville, Mass., is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Jacobs.

Wagons appeared Wednesday. The snow has melted wonderfully with the past week of sunshine.

Gerald Winchester was a guest over Sunday of his sister, Mrs. Mabel Hopper, in South Londonderry.

Miss Mattie Metcalf of Williamsville is assisting in taking care of Archie Mellen, who is slowly improving.

Robert Coombs is fitting his new building with machinery for making boxes and other things necessary for his bee business.

Earle Underwood went Monday to Gardner, Mass., where he has employment in the silversmith works. His family will remain here for the present.

Archie Yeaw and Bert Whittemore went to Springfield and West Brookfield last week, looking at machinery for the new creamery that is to be built this spring in town.

Truman Mead will move from his farm in Weatherhead Hollow to the J. Henry Pratt farm, taking C. K. Farnum's place. Mr. Farnum will move to the farm he bought of W. W. Holden May 1.

Walter Needham, who has worked for John E. Gale for some years, will go to Boston Saturday, where he expects to work. Carlos Canedy, who has lived with George Wilder a number of years, will work for Mr. Gale the coming season.

M. H. Willis's singing school closed last week Thursday evening with a pleasing concert. The songs were sung by Mr. Willis and Miss Doris Coombs, a duet by Mrs. Willis and Miss Coombs, a trio by Mrs. G. P. Miller, Mrs. Willis and Miss Coombs and there was singing by Bert Whittemore, G. P. Miller and Philip Franklin. Mr. Willis demonstrated his ability as a teacher of music.

WEST GUILFORD.

Miss Sophie Christensen is working through sugaring for Mrs. Arthur Miller.

Charles Lynde of Deerfield was a guest over Sunday of his brother, Arthur Lynde, and family.

Edward Chapin went Friday to Springfield to visit his daughter, Mrs. E. O. Smith, and son, Horace Chapin.

Baptist church, Rev. William Robinson pastor. Morning worship at 11. Sunday school at 12. Evening worship at 7.30.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest White of Brattleboro were guests Sunday of Mr. White's sister, Mrs. Austin Nichols, and family.

Miss May Saderman went last week Friday to Dummerston to see her sister, Mrs. Roy Torrey, who is ill. She returned home Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Mowry Lynde, who have been working on a farm in Deerfield the past two years, have returned to their farm here in West Guilford. Their son, Charles Lynde, will take his father's place in Deerfield.

A change in the weather has come, and farmers are busy in their sugar orchards. Sidney Colman and Fred Akley are working on the Brown farm; P. E. Henry and Clarence Thompson for Hosea Fisher; Cyrus Merrill and George Watson for M. M. Akley; James Graves for the Thos. brothers; Austin Nichols for Charles Nesbitt.

Tuberculosis is the chief cause of the condemnation of meat by the United States inspectors.

EAST DOVER.

Edna Mary Moore.

Edna Mary, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayland H. Moore, died in the home of her parents in East Dover March 19, aged 18 years and 23 days. The funeral was held in the Baptist church March 22. The services were conducted by the pastor, Rev. F. H. Perkins, and the attendance was one of the largest ever known in that community.

Her sudden death at the last came as a shock to all who knew her, although they were fearful that the trouble from which she was suffering might prove fatal in the end. Until within a few weeks her prospects for a bright and happy future in a home of her own were very promising, but symptoms of sugar diabetes began to be manifest, causing deep apprehension on the part of her physicians and friends. Everything possible was done for her, without avail.

Miss Moore was liked by all. She had a pleasant word and smile for everyone whom she met and her loss has come as a deep affliction to all who knew her, far and wide. The large attendance and the many tokens of remembrance, as well as the large number of floral tributes, were evidences of the deep sympathy felt for the bereaved ones in their sorrow.

Flowers from the Ladies' Aid society of the Baptist church, Larkin club, two telephone lines, telephone company, as well as a large number from individuals were very beautiful and deeply appreciated by the family.

There were present at the funeral services from away M. G. Goodell and daughter, Amy, of West Dummerston; Percy Goodell of Windsor, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Yeaw and daughter, Mildred, Mrs. G. O. Russell and Lester Moore of Brattleboro, Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Moore and Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Moore of South Newfane, Mrs. D. R. Steadman of Williamsville, Mrs. S. H. Yeaw, Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Yeaw, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Yeaw, Miss Lillian Trevarrow and Carlton Halladay of Brattleboro, Dr. and Mrs. O. V. Heffron, H. H. Forrester, Mr. and Mrs. George Allen of Wardsboro, besides many others from Marlboro, South Newfane and Williamsville.

She leaves besides her parents, her friend, Earl F. Yeaw, one brother, Claude Wayland, and one sister, Maud Christine Moore, her grandparents, Mrs. Mary Goodell and Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Moore, and a large number of relatives. The burial took place in the Dover Center cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Howe and daughter of Carthage, N. Y., are visitors at L. L. and W. D. Howe's.

Herbert Perkins began work for E. H. Pratt Tuesday.

Miss Amy Goodell of West Dummerston is spending a few days this week with her aunt, Mrs. W. H. Moore.

Mrs. R. A. Yeaw and Miss Hazel Metcalf of Brattleboro spent Sunday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Metcalf.

Mrs. Clarence Folsom and little son, Hollis of Canaan, N. H., came Wednesday of last week to visit her parents, Rev. and Mrs. F. H. Perkins.

Joseph Moulton's bungalow and contents were destroyed by fire Friday afternoon. Mr. Moulton being away from home, nothing was saved. Much sympathy is felt for him in his loss.

M. A. Moore escaped what might have been a serious injury Thursday of last week. He went on to a barn shed to shovel the snow off and had been there only a short time when the shed fell to the ground. Mr. Moore jumped just in time to avoid serious injuries, although he hurt his back. The neighbors came with willing hands and hurried to get the sheep and hogs out and found nothing injured seriously.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to express our sincerest thanks and deep appreciation to all the neighbors and friends everywhere for the many kindnesses shown and sympathy extended during the illness, death and burial of our dear daughter, friend and sister, Edna. Especially to Dr. O. V. Heffron and Miss Metcalf, nurse for their faithful services, our pastor, Rev. F. H. Perkins, for his comforting words, also the singers, and to the many friends who sent the beautiful flowers, and to everybody who showed their love and sympathy in any way for us in our great loss. It is our wish that you may all receive the same kindnesses in your time of sorrow.

Mr. and Mrs. Wayland H. Moore.

Earl F. Yeaw.

Claude W. Moore.

Maud C. Moore.

East Dover, March 28, 1916.

WEST CHESTERFIELD, N. H.

Miss Emma Hutchins, who has been at her home here through vacation, has returned to her school.

Miss Lena Carey has returned to her work in Hancock, after spending several days at her home here.

There were services in the church Sunday afternoon, Rev. F. H. Cole of Hinsdale occupying the pulpit as usual. The Sunday school convened at 2 o'clock.

There will be a basketball game between Keene and West Chesterfield at the hall this Friday evening, March 31. This game has been postponed twice on account of deep snow. The game will be followed by a dance.

The highways have been badly drifted, making it necessary to shovel out many sections and with the warm weather makes hard traveling. The Connecticut river is still frozen and teams are crossing—to load cars with lumber at Dummerston station.

Remember the farmers' institute to be held at the hall next Tuesday, March 28. Commissioner Felker and other able speakers are expected to make an interesting meeting. It is hoped the farmers will take advantage of this opportunity to meet and learn many facts of practical use the coming season.

A recent investigation by Professor Haberlandt, of Germany, shows that living wood is of much food value, sawwood, twigs and branches containing large quantities of sugar, starch and oil, with some albumen. Soft woods contain much oil, hard woods much starch.



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